



JOSEPH P. SMITH, Ph.D.

Marine Environmental Consultant

Dr. Joseph Smith has 35 years' experience in the oil and gas industry, including 26 years providing environmental support for exploration and production operations. A major focus of his work has been on conducting and communicating the results of technical studies that address the concerns or requirements of regulators. He is a subject matter expert on the fate and effects of marine discharges of drilling waste and produced water, the effects of cooling water usage by offshore facilities, the environmental aspects of offshore decommissioning, and the environmental effects of naturally occurring radioactive materials (NORM) from oil and gas operations. He has led joint industry environmental studies sponsored by organizations such as the Offshore Operators Committee, the American Petroleum Institute, and the International Organization of Oil and Gas Producers.

Education

Ph.D. Physical Chemistry, University of California, Berkeley, 1978

B.S. Chemistry, University of Rochester, 1972

He served on the U.S. Bureau of Ocean Energy Management Regulation and Enforcement Outer Continental Shelf Scientific Committee from 2003 to 2011. In recognition of his contributions to the offshore industry, the Offshore Operators Committee made him its first Lifetime Member in 2015.

EXPERIENCE

November 2017 to Present: Marine Ventures International Inc. – Senior Consultant

- ❖ Provides scientific consultation to the marine energy industry
- ❖ Led Offshore Operators Committee study on the characterization of offshore workover, treatment, and completion fluids.
- ❖ Studies for confidential clients included:
 - Leading the preparation of “State of Knowledge Report: NORM During Offshore Decommissioning of Oil and Gas Pipelines”
 - Review and comment on sediment contamination data for decommissioning offshore platforms.
 - Analysis of potential pH effects of the marine discharge of umbilical storage fluids.

ExxonMobil Upstream Research Company - Technical Staff (1990 – 2016)

- ❖ Senior Technical Professional Advisor and team leader for Environmental Research (1994-2016)
- ❖ Lead role in development, validation, and publication of the Offshore Operators Committee Mud and Produced Water Discharge Model 1990-1999
- ❖ Participation in Key Studies to Address Regulatory Concerns
 - ❖ Offshore Operators Committee Cooling Water Intake Structure Technical Workgroup Chair 2008-2016.
 - ❖ Gulf of Mexico Synthetic Based Mud Industry Research Consortium - Chairman of Modeling Workgroup 1997 – 2008, Chairman of Seabed Survey JIP Workgroup (2005 – 2008)
 - ❖ API/OOC Working Group on Produced-Water Induced Hypoxia (2004)
 - ❖ Led Oil Industry Technical Work Group on Mercury in Drilling Discharges (2002)
 - ❖ API Produced Water Toxicity Reduction Evaluation Workgroup - Chairman 1994-1996
 - ❖ Petroleum Industry Operators Environment Health and Safety Committee (Angola) Drill Cuttings Disposal Scientific Workgroup 2000 – 2001
 - ❖ Offshore Operators Committee Produced Water Bioaccumulation JIP Work Group '94 - '97

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OTHER PUBLICATIONS AND SPECIAL REPORTS

- Smith, J.P. (2008); "Assessment of the Fisheries Impact of Seawater Use by Offshore Facilities", IPTC Paper 12126, presented at the International Petroleum Technology Conference held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia 3-5 December 2008
- Nedwed, T.J., Smith, J.P., Melton, H.R. (2006); "Fate of Nonaqueous Drilling Fluid Cuttings Discharged from a Deepwater Exploration Well" SPE Paper 98612 presented at Society of Petroleum Engineers International Conference on Health, Safety, and Environment in Oil and Gas Exploration and Production held in Abu Dhabi, U.A.E., 2–4 April 2006
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<p>Smith, J.P. (1993); "Field Observations of Dilution of Radium-226 from Produced Water Discharges - Comparison with Dispersion Model Predictions", report prepared for the Offshore Operators Committee.</p>
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